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Behavioral Health Clinical Quality in the MHS : Past Present and Future

Experience of Care: Improving Quality and Safety

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▪ Objectives

- Gain knowledge of historical context of Behavioral Health (BH) clinical quality in the MHS
 - Dichotomized direct and purchased care systems
 - Evolution of the national focus on health care quality and legislative requirement history
 - Policy and alignment with Quadruple Aims
- Identify present activities and future opportunities for MHS BH clinical quality

The MHS: Direct and Purchased Care Systems



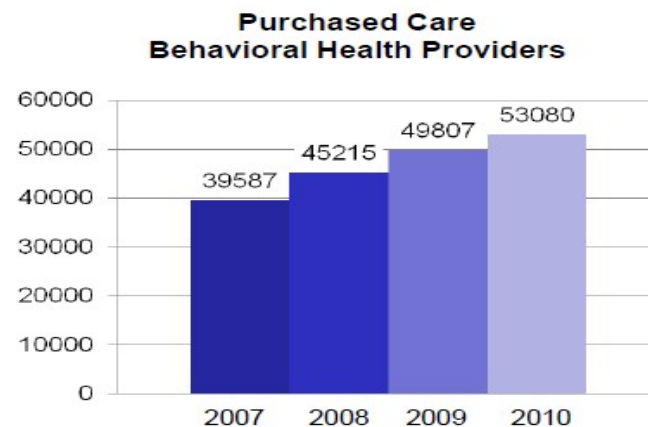
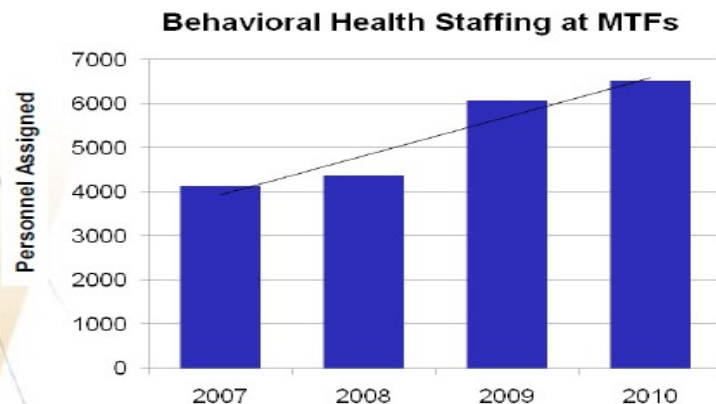
- MHS is made up of two systems with key differences:
 - The Direct Care (DC) system is the Services run system of hospitals, clinics and providers (MTFs)
 - Closed system
 - Purchased Care (PC) system is the partnership with civilian health care systems in which the MHS purchases health care services for TRICARE beneficiaries in the civilian network
 - Open system
 - Opportunities exist for increased coordination of BH Quality initiatives in both DC and PC Systems
 - Need to balance projects that are response to local quality issues with MHS wide projects that promote standardization and benefit system as a whole.

Topic Area 2 – Discussion of The MHS DC and PC Systems and BH Clinical Quality

Data on MHS Beneficiaries Receiving Behavioral Health Care



Meeting Demand by Increasing Access



Behavioral Health, FY07-FY10

	Services	Patients
Direct care	Up 47%	Up 26%
Purchased care	Up 84%	Up 40%

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RADM C.S. Hunter, "Clinical Quality in Behavioral Health: A TRICARE Perspective" (15 October 2010)

Overview



- National Focus on Quality Health Care
- Legislative Requirements under NDAA
- Quadruple Aims
- BH Clinical Quality Management
- Implications
- Summary
- Discussion

Evolution of National Focus on Quality in US Health Care and the MHS



1952	The Joint Commission (TJC) created by AMA, AHA, American College of Physicians and Canadian Medical Assn- originally for acute general hospitals
1965	Medicare established- conditions of participation and UR
Till 78	TJC-Move from Subjective Peer Review to Standardized Audits of surgical cases, blood & antibiotic use and medical support
1973	TJC adds Community Mental Health
1979	TJC- Hospital-wide Quality Assurance Programs
1988	TJC Agenda for Change: adopted Continuous Quality Improvement
1990	IOM Medicare: A Strategy for Quality Assurance
1990	Health Care Quality Improvement Act of 1986 operational:- NPDB
1990 & 95	HCFA Health Care Quality Improvement Program (HCQIP) Medicare inpt, '95 outpatient
1995	DODD 6025.13, "Clinical Quality Management Program (CQMP) in Military Health Services System"
1999	IOM, "To Err is Human"
1999	NQF & AHRQ formed
2000	DoDI 6025.15-NPDB
2001	IOM 2001, "Crossing the Quality Chasm"
2002	HA Policy 02-016 Definition Quality: IOM Six Aims
2003	ASD Memorandum: Policy for Structure DoD Patient Safety Program
2004	DoDI 6025.13, "Medical Quality Assurance (MQA) in the MHS"
2006	DoDI 6025.20 Medical Management Programs in DC and Remote Areas
2010	OASD Memorandum for MHS Health Care Quality Assurance Transparency
2011	DoDD 6025.13 revision

National Focus on Quality of Health Care in America



Institute of Medicine (IOM) projects

- IOM 1999, *To Err Is Human: Building a Safer Health System*
 - Patient safety- 44-98,000 hospital deaths per year from errors
- IOM 2001, *Crossing the Quality Chasm*
 - Designing an innovative and improved health care delivery system
 - Six Aims of Care- Safe, Effective, Patient Centered, Timely, Efficient, Equitable
 - “The difference between what we know and what we do is not just a gap, but a chasm”
- IOM 2002, *Reducing Suicide: A National Imperative*
 - Explores what is known about the epidemiology, risk factors, and interventions for suicide and suicide attempts
- **IOM 2003, *Leadership by Example: Coordinating Government Roles in Improving Health Care Quality***
 - Congress directed HHS to contract IOM to study quality enhancement processes in Medicaid, Medicare, the State Children’s Health Insurance Program, DoD and TRICARE & VA
- IOM 2006, *Improving the Quality of Health Care for Mental and Substance-Use Conditions*
 - Promoting patient centered care and scientific findings of effective care
- IOM 2010, *Provision of Mental Health Counseling Services Under TRICARE*

Study of the credentials, preparation, and training of licensed mental health

Topic Area 1 - Brief examination of BH clinical quality through the lens of the NDAA requirements and the IOM studies

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Legislative Requirements 2000-2009



National Defense Authorization Acts (NDAA)

- FY 2000 § 701
 - Allow AD SMs in remote areas to see civilian providers (expanded pool of network providers)
- FY 2006 § 742- on the Quality of Health Care furnished by DoD program measures:
 - Timeliness & access, population health, patient safety, patient satisfaction, use of CPGs, biosurveillance
- FY 2006 § 723
 - Establish a task force to improve efficacy of mental health services in the Armed Forces
 - Included recommendation to increase the # of mental health providers
- FY 2008 § 717
 - -Licensed mental health counselors and the TRICARE program
 - Will add another BH provider category to provide therapy
- FY 2009 § 733
 - Establish a task force on the prevention of suicide by Armed Forces members
- www.armed-services.senate.gov

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National Defense Authorization Acts (NDAA)

- FY 2010 § 596
 - Plan for Prevention, Diagnosis, and Treatment of Substance Use Disorders and Dispositions of Substance Abuse Offenders in the Armed Forces
- FY 2010 § 708
 - Required person-to-person mental health evaluations as part of evidence-based assessments
- FY 2010 § 712
 - Administration and prescription of psychotropic medication for Armed Services
 - Deployment limiting psychiatric conditions
- FY 2010 § 714
 - Plan to increase mental health capabilities of DoD AD Mental Health Personnel
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DoD Policy: Overarching Guidance for the MHS

- **DoD 6025.13-R** ([MHS Quality Assurance Program Regulation](#)) is the policy guidance that regulates the principles of accountability, continuity of care, quality improvement, and medical readiness.
- **MHS Definition of Quality** "the degree to which healthcare services for individuals and populations increase the likelihood of desired health outcomes and are consistent with current professional knowledge."
- **DoDD 6025.13 and DoD 6025.13-R (2011-awaiting** the IOM six Aims for a quality management system, as introduced in the Quality Chasm and adopted per **HA POLICY: 02-016 (2002)** "More specifically, the services provided will be:
 - Safe
 - Effective
 - Patient-centered
 - Timely
 - Efficient
 - Equitable

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<https://www.mhs-cqm.info/Open/QualityDirectives.aspx>

Topic Area 4 – Aligning BH clinical quality with the MHS CQMS to achieve the Quadruple Aims

The Quadruple Aims & BH Quality Initiatives Currently In Progress



Readiness

Behavioral Health
Professional Competency
& Currency

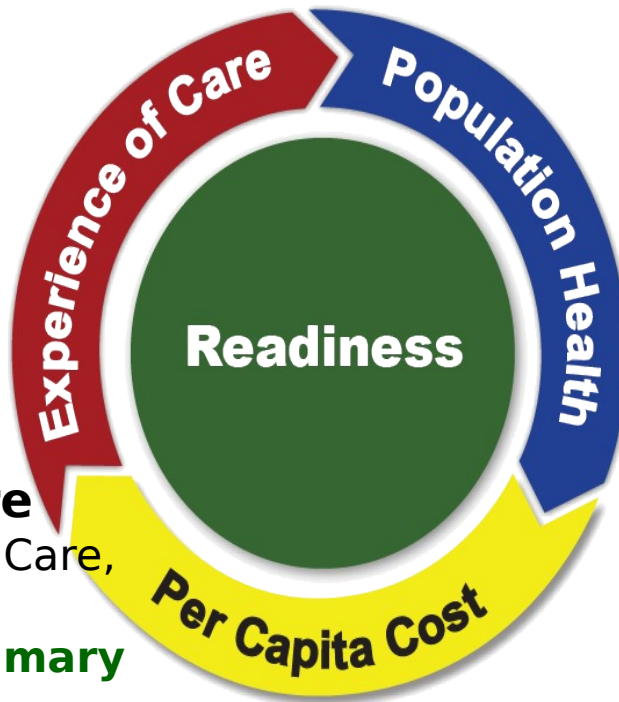
**Current Credentialing
& Scope of Practice
System
(LMHCs)**

Experience of Care

Patient & Family-centered Care,
Access & Satisfaction

**Behavioral Health in Primary
Care**

**Use of CPGs/Evidenced
Based Practices (EBPs)**



Population Health

Healthy Service members,
families & retirees
Quality health care outcomes

**Structure, Process &
Outcome Measures
CPGs/EBPs**

Per Capita Cost

Responsibility Managed
Focused on value

**Information Technology to
enhance efficiency
Focus on effective EBP**

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Opportunities for MHS BH Quality



Readiness

Professional Competency

Scope of Practice

Credentialing

Patient Satisfaction Review

Enhanced Peer Review

Review of Competency-
Based Training

Military Cultural
Competency

Experience of Care

Behavioral Health Care

Delivery

Competency Training for
Providers

Tools to assist in CPG/EBP use
Patient Feedback on Treatment
to Providers

Patient Satisfaction Surveys
Case & Disease Management



Population Health Measurement

Structure, Process & Outcomes
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HBIPS

Screening Tools

CPG Usage

BH Patient Satisfaction
Surveys

Case & Disease Management

Per Capita Cost

Behavioral Health Care Delivery

Access to Care

Provider Productivity

Service Delivery Models

Information Technology

Program Evaluation

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Implications of a BH CQMS from the Perspective of a New MTF Provider: Scenario



- Credentialing/Scope of Practice for competent BH providers
- Orientation/Competency Training per IOM recommendations
- Patient Encounter- Intake
- The Patient Experience
- Quality Measures- Structure, Process and Outcomes

Topic 3- How dialogue on the essential elements of BH clinical quality, credentialing, and scopes of practice are the first steps for improving behavioral health clinical quality in the MHS

Summary



- Key Points
 - BH initiatives alignment with Quad Aims and MHS CQMS
 - Focus on standardization and consistency of BH quality across system
 - Focus on measurement of effectiveness of programs and treatments (Outcomes)
 - Continuation of dialogue

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QUESTIONS